

Amendments to the Drawings:

Figs. 1, 2 and 3 have been amended as indicated in the four Replacement Sheets attached hereto. Appropriate descriptive text has been added to various boxes in the figures. In addition, Fig. 2 has been divided into Figs. 2a and 2b.

REMARKS

Applicant acknowledges, with appreciation, the allowance of claims 1-14 and 16-25, and the indication that claim 15 also contains allowable subject matter. Claims 1-25 are pending with claims 1, 16 and 22-25 being the independent claims. Claim 15 has been amended. A copy of the drawings, including amended Fig. 3 has been resubmitted herewith. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

In the December 21, 2005 Office Action, the drawings were objected to for certain informalities. Specifically, the Examiner has stated that “the amended Fig. 3 was missing from the drawing set.” With respect to the objection, Applicant’s respectfully assert that four sheets of amended drawings were submitted to the USPTO on February 1, 2005, along with an Amendment in response to the Office Action of November 1, 2004. A copy of the stamped post card acknowledging receipt of the four drawings sheet is attached herewith. In any event, Applicant has resubmitted the four drawing sheets, which includes amended Fig. 3 to advance prosecution on the merits of the present application.

Figs. 1, 2 and 3 have been amended as indicated in the four Replacement Sheets attached hereto. Appropriate descriptive text has been added to various boxes in the figures. In addition, Fig. 2 has been divided into Figs. 2a and 2b. Before submittal of the present amended drawings, none of the boxes in Figs. 2(a) and 3 contained descriptive text. All of the boxes in Figs. 2(a) and 3 now include descriptive text. Applicant notes that the submittal of a marked-up copy of each replacement sheet is no longer mandatory (see 37 CFR §1.121(d)(1), which states “a marked-up copy of any amended drawing figure … may be included”). Consequently, entry of the amended drawings is in order, and a notice to that effect is requested.

In the December 21, 2005 Office Action, dependent claim 15 was objected to based on an incorrect dependency. In response to this objection, Applicant has amended claim 15 to depend on claim 14. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection is in order.

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application is in condition for allowance. Early passage of this case to issue is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

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Enclosed Herewith:

1. Amendment in response to OA of 11/1/04 w/Cert. of Mailing
2. 4 sheets of amended drawings
3. Return receipt postcard



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